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STATE HOSTS MAPLE SUGAR EVENTS THROUGH MONTH OF MARCH

March is maple sugaring time in New England, and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) has several educational and entertaining maple sugaring programs happening at state and urban parks throughout the month.

- **Brookwood Farm** in the **Blue Hills Reservation** (Milton, 617-698-1802) will hold *Maple Sugar Days* on March 10 & 11 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. It features real maple sugaring, demonstrations of maple sugaring technology, kid's activities and more (admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children ages 3-12, free for children 2 and under).
- **Breakheart Reservation's** (Saugus, 781-233-0834) *Maple Sugarin' at Breakheart*, an event for the general public, will be held on March 17 & 18 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (admission is \$5, or \$4 if you bring a canned good to donate to the local food bank). Programs for school groups will be held March 12-15 and March 19 (arrangements for group tours must be made in advance).
- See maple sugaring demonstrations and learn how to make your own maple syrup at home at **Blackstone River and Canal Heritage State Park's** (River Bend Farm, 287 Oak Street, Uxbridge, 508-278-7604) maple sugaring program the first three weekends in March (3 & 4, 10 & 11, and 17 & 18) from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The one-hour program includes a hands-on demo and a taste test, all in a brand-new sugar house!

For more information on individual parks, and for driving directions, see DCR's website at www.mass.gov/dcr.

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